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MRS. JAMES SHELLEY SEARCY
... Weds Southerner

(J. Edmund Watson)



MRS. EARL ALBERT ROBERTS
... Lovely Summer Bride

(Crotty Studio Photo)

FROM THE ISLANDS

Miss Gerry Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lee, 1918 Martina Ave., will arrive today on the S. S. Lurline from Hawaii, where she has spent the past two weeks. Miss Lee flew to the islands, where she joined her uncle and aunt for a two weeks vacation.

WEEK'S TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. J. Benner, 1728 Andros, have returned from a week's trip, during which they visited Lake Tahoe and Reno. They also spent some time in historic Virginia City, and on the homeward trip, went to Donner Pass and Donner Lake. Mr. Benner is fire chief of Torrance.

Mr., Mrs. James Searcy, Wed Here, Enroute to Future Alabama Home

Enroute to Andalusia, Alabama, to make their future home are Mr. and Mrs. James Shelley Searcy who were married July 8 at an evening ceremony at the Trinity Lutheran Church in San Pedro. Mrs. Searcy is the former Rachael McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McDonald, 1337 252nd St., Harbor City. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight M. Searcy of Alabama.

For her wedding the bride chose a French imported lace gown fashioned with a long torso and a full tulle skirt, ballerina length. The gown was detailed with a scoop neckline and short sleeves. Her fingertip illusion veil fell from a pearl encrusted crown and she carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley, carnations, Chinese orchids and stephanotis. Mr. McDonald escorted the lovely bride to the altar and gave her in marriage.

Mrs. Jerry Spellman served her sister as honor attendant. Her gown was of aqua tulle and lace and she carried a cascade bouquet of pink roses.

Lighting the candles before the ceremony were John Felton, Robert Russell and W. H. Walters who also seated the 200 wedding guests.

The bride and her father were met at the altar by the bridegroom and his best man Orin Pollack. The Rev. P. C. Melvin officiated at the double ring vow exchange, which took place at the altar banked with baskets of white carnations, daisies and white candles.

Mrs. James Stewart at the organ played the wedding music and Mrs. Una Mae Naulty, close friend of the bride, sang "Through the Years," "Because" and "The Lord's Prayer."

A reception followed in the church hall where the tiered white wedding cake was topped with a yellow bell and angels. Assisting were Miss Janet Daggis and Miss Delores Ramus.

The couple then left for a honeymoon at Big Bear and last Sunday departed for Alabama.

The bride was graduated from Narbonne High school, attended Harbor Junior college, the University of Illinois at Chicago and received her degree in physical education this spring from UCLA. She will teach in Andalusia.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Teachers college in Troy, Ala. He was recently discharged from the United States Navy having served four years and he will assume his position as coach at a junior college in Andalusia.

VACATION

Mrs. Mae Sherfy and sons, John and Charles, 1404 Engracia, have returned from a two weeks vacation. They spent one week in Catalina and the second week with Mrs. Sherfy's parents in Pine Valley.



MISS MARY FRANCES BROWN
... Home for Wedding

(Kennel-Ellis)



MISS GWEN McCANN
... Troth Disclosed

(Stanford's photo)

Wedding Bells to Ring for Mary Brown - John D. Morell

Several pre-nuptial parties are being planned for Miss Mary Frances Brown, bride-elect of John D. Morell, who arrived home Saturday, from Washington, to begin preparations for her wedding, Aug. 13, at 2 p.m., in the Western Avenue Baptist Church.

Bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Brown of 2335 W. 250th St., Lomita, and the benedict is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Morell of Palo Alto, Calif.

Personnel for the wedding announced this week by Miss Brown, includes Aline Warthen, as maid of honor; nieces of the bride, Vickie Brown and Sharon Junkin, as junior bridesmaids, and Annita Hearin and Juanita Brown, as flower girls. Johnny Brown will be ring bearer, and bride's nephews, Henry Lee Brown and Jerry Hearin as candlelighters. Best man will be George Morell, brother of the bridegroom and ushering will be David Fuller, Jimmy Brown, brother of the bride, and Bill Smith of Chicago, Ill.

Following the bride's graduation from Narbonne High School in 1950, where she served as Girls' League vice president, secretary and class treasurer.

Gwen McCann's Engagement To Daniel Marsh Revealed

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. McCann, 25612 Lucile Ave., Lomita, are this morning announcing the engagement of their daughter, Gwen, to Daniel Marsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Marsh, 1837 Lomita Blvd. No date has been set for the wedding.

Miss McCann is a student at Narbonne High School and will be graduated next January.

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Evelyn Clark is Now Mrs. E. A. Roberts Following Lovely Late Afternoon Rites

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church was lighted with myriads of tall white cathedral candles and a profusion of yellow and white gladioli banked the altar for the late afternoon wedding last Saturday in which Miss Evelyn Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Clark, 1548 Marcelina Ave., plighted her nuptial vows with Earl Albert Roberts, son of Mrs. Katherine Roberts of Wilmington.

H. C. Green at the organ played the wedding marches and accompanied Lee Hughes who sang "Oh Perfect Love" and the "Ave Maria."

Entering the church first were the bridesmaids in their turquoise ballerina length mousseline de soie gowns and carrying shower bouquets of yellow carnation tied with yellow ribbons. They were Miss Joan Melvin and Mrs. Baker Olvera. Next in the line was the matron of honor, Mrs. William Damon also wearing turquoise mousseline de soie and carrying yellow carnations.

Then came the bride on the arm of her father, who gave her in marriage. She was radiant in her wedding gown made with a white Chantilly lace bodice with a round neckline and long pointed sleeves. The skirt of the gown had four tiers of nylon tulle and panels of Chantilly. The fingertip veil was held by a lace and tulle crown and she carried a bouquet of white orchids encircled with stephanotis.

Jack Combs served as best man and ushers were Donald Sloan and Gerald Trotter.

The Rev. Hiram B. Crosby of the St. Thomas Episcopal church in Lakewood officiated at the marriage rites.

A reception followed in the church hall and the couple left for Shaver Lake to spend their honeymoon. They will be at home to their friends after Aug. 8 at 618 Sartori Ave.

The bride was graduated from the Torrance High school in 1948 after which she attended Compton College and El Camino. She has been employed by the Torrance School Board.

The bridegroom was a member of the Banning High school class of 1947.

Mr. and Mrs. John Oursler, 4101 Via Cardella, spent last week end with friends in San Fernando Valley. On Aug. 19 they will go to Lake Arrowhead to spend four days with friends there.

Barattas' New Son Greeted

Heralding the arrival of James Anthony Baratta, two-weeks-old newly adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Baratta, 264 Calle de Andalucia, Mrs. Albert Posner and Mrs. Lloyd Jones entertained at a dessert bridge party and shower Monday evening at the Posner home on Fern Ave., complimenting Mrs. Baratta and James Anthony.

A clever "cowboy theme" was used in decorating and an "animal" valise for young James was presented by the hostesses. An array of gifts for the young son were opened after the host-

esses had served a dessert course. Bridge was then played. Guests attending the party were: Mmes. Don L. Robison, R. R. Dexter, John A. Kincannon, W. W. Hamilton, James Shidler, Earl Eckert, Walter Rehweidt, Alfred Artuso, Sydney R. Hopkins, Joe T. Brandon, Frank Simon, Nora Maude Foster, Irene Smith and William E. Pearson.

Sending welcoming gifts but unable to attend were Mmes. R. C. Morton, Lovina Sheehan, V. U. Kilburn, William J. Clair, and Robert Allen.

Honored at Patio Supper

Mrs. H. M. Schooley, 2517 Eldorado, was complimented at a delightful birthday courtesy, last Friday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Jacobson in Claremont. Hostess for the smorgasbord patio supper was a lifelong friend of the honoree, Mrs. Charles Hale, mother of Mrs. Jacobson.

After the supper, a white sheath cake decorated with sprays of violets, was cut and served with iced sherbet.

Attending the affair were Mrs. Schooley and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. James Fluhrer and son, James, and Mrs. Martha Riggle all of Torrance, and John Wolfe of Claremont.

TO SEE KISMET

Going into the Philharmonic on Saturday to see "Kismet" will be Mmes. Nick Cucel, Delbert Thomson, Jack Anderson and Herman Mitchell. The group will have dinner at the Biltmore.

HOUSEGUESTS

Recent week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Snodgrass, 1614 Beech, were Mr. and Mrs. George Morgan of Palo Alto.

FAMILIES SPEND WEEK AT LODGE

Dr. and Mrs. R. Bingham and children, 1510 Engracia Ave., and Judge and Mrs. John Shidler and four daughters, left Friday afternoon for Fallon Leaf lodge, maintained by the Stanford Alumni, five miles south of Lake Tahoe for a week's vacation. Dr. and Mrs. Bingham and children plan to go on to San Francisco and down the coast visiting with friends. Judge and Mrs. Shidler will return to Torrance at the end of their week. Judge Shidler is an alumnus of Stanford.

MARY SIPPEL TO BE PRESENTED

Eva M. Brundin will present Mary Caroline Sippel in a program of compositions by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin and Cyril Scott today at 2 p.m., at the Sippel residence.

Mary will be a sophomore at Torrance High School when it opens this September and is active in the Torrance High School band as well as a member of the First Christian Church Choir.

Susan Babcock, alto soloist, will assist her during the program.

VISIT FRIENDS

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